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## APPEAL FOR MASS OF INSURGENTS

### Redmond And Carson Urge Leniency On Government's Part

### Four Rebel Heads Executed In The Tower Of London

London, May 4.—Patrick H. Pearse, provisional president of Ireland; James Connolly, commander of the Irish Republican army; Thomas Clark and Thomas MacDonagh, court-martialed and convicted of treason, were shot to death in the Tower of London to pay the penalty of their Easter dream of an Irish republic.

In a cell not far from the scene of the execution sat Sir Roger Casement, a prisoner in the Tower, awaiting trial for treason. The rifle shots could be plainly heard in the solitary prison room of the knight, who was arrested a few days before the rebellion broke out, while attempting to land arms from a German auxiliary on the Irish coast.

John Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalists, appealed to the government not to treat unduly severe the masses concerned in the revolution. Sir Edward Carson, Ulsterite leader, political foe of Redmond, but co-operating with him throughout the rebellion, endorsed the nationalist chief's appeal by saying: "No true Irishman will call vengeance upon the mass of insurgents."

All England is aflutter over the news of the execution of the four rebel leaders. Premier Asquith told parlia-

ment he will be informed as to the result of the trial.

The total number of rebel prisoners runs into the thousands. According to official reports about 800 have already been placed in English prisons since the outbreak of the revolts. Others have been taken from Dublin to Belfast. The total damage to buildings in Dublin is estimated by the chief of the fire department at \$5,000,000, and the damage to stock \$3,750,000. Altogether 179 buildings were destroyed.

#### QUITS UNDER FIRE

Chief Secretary Birrell Subjected to Bitter Attack.

London, May 4.—Augustine Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, has handed in his resignation. Premier Asquith promptly accepted it. Birrell explained he was laying down his office upon having been assured that the insurrection in Ireland had been quelled. "No other course is open to me," he said. "The unanimity of Ireland is preserved. This was no Irish rebellion."

Subject to bitter attack in parliament and in the press from the moment of the Dublin outbreak, Birrell's position had become untenable. The chief grievance against him was that the day the rebellion broke out he had assured the government and parliament that they could take it from him "the situation is well in hand." He attacks grew in scope and in fervor as the rebellion spread through the week instead of subsiding, and there were many who blamed him directly for the whole situation.

#### Features of Compulsion Bill.

London, May 4.—The compulsion bill introduced in the house of commons becomes effective a month after its passage. It authorizes the government to call to the colors all males eligible for service. It provides, however, for the establishment of an army reserve for industrial work. To this reserve the government may assign as many men as industrial conditions demand.

#### ZEPPELIN WRECKED

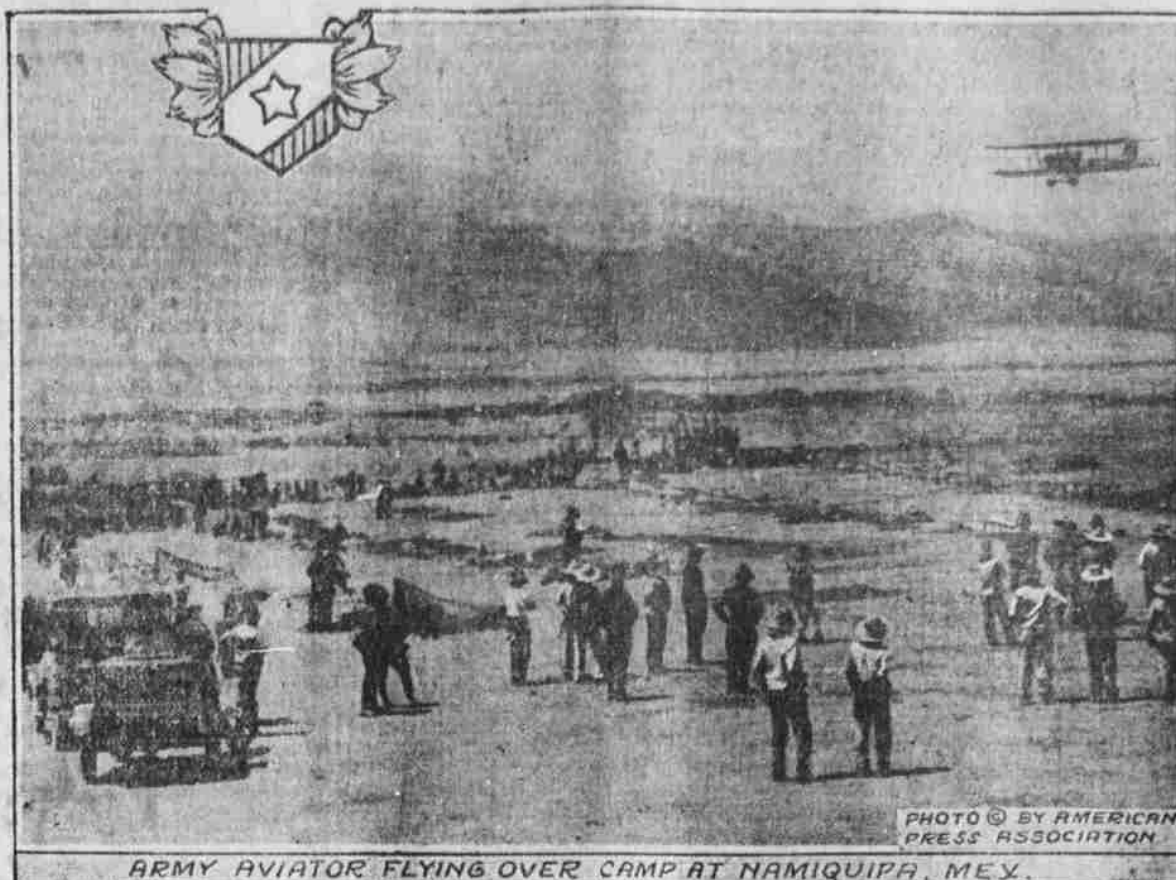
Thirty-six Casualties the Result of Tuesday Night's Raid.

London, May 4.—The Zeppelin L-20 has been completely destroyed and driven ashore on the western side of Lifa Firth, Norway, according to advices from Stavanger. Some of the crew were rescued. The Zeppelin air raid on the northeast coast of England and southeast coast of Scotland Tuesday night resulted in thirty-six casualties. This announcement was made officially. One hundred bombs were dropped. A German aeroplane has dropped bombs on Deal, England. Some material damage was done, but only one man is reported to have been injured. The aeroplane escaped.

## ATTORNEY A SUICIDE

Washington C. H., O., May 4.—Carey Baughn, fifty-four, for twenty-five years an attorney here and a member of the Fayette county bar, shot himself through the head. A 38-calibre ball entered one temple and came out through the other, lodging in the office wall. He was removed to a hospital and died about two hours later. Baughn was worried over financial matters.

## AERIAL RE-ENFORCEMENTS SENT TO GENERAL PERSHING AT NAMIQUEPA



American army aeroplanes flying over Mexican territory have aided in the scouting operations of Pershing's expedition, although there have been many complaints of lack of power and other defects of the machines as compared with those in use by the war-

ring European powers. At the right of the picture may be seen an army aeroplane flying over the army camp at Namiquipa, Mexico, where General Pershing has his field headquarters. Four new aeroplanes which arrived

at Columbus, N. M., were prepared immediately for service in Mexico. The new machines are big power tractor biplanes, capable of flying at an elevation, it was said, of 13,000 feet and at a speed of 100 miles an hour.

## FORMATION OF A BIBLE CLASS

### By Poker Players Basis Of Butler's Scandal

#### PROVOKES MANY LETTERS

Of an Anonymous and Scurrilous Character Which Were Relayed Via Mt. Vernon—Success of Class Causes Heart Burnings

Butler, O., May 4.—The resolve of a group of men of Butler to spend their Sunday afternoons at Sunday school instead of sitting in a poker game, has caused a flood of scurrilous anonymous letters that has stirred the village population of 800 and has started investigation by postoffice authorities.

The poker players, numbering at least twenty men, including some of the leaders in the village, formed a Bible class. The Sunday afternoon poker game had been regarded as a weekly rite for many years. The men renounced the game in a body and unanimously joined the new devotional activity.

Five people prominent in the village have been targets for the letters which were written in a hand resembling that of a man well known in the community. The envelopes were addressed in a feminine hand, villagers say.

The letters are attributed to heart-burnings caused in two of the village churches by the success of the class, organized in the Methodist Protestant church by the erstwhile poker players.

The class prospered greatly from the beginning. It seemed to exercise a strong appeal on the men of the village, even luring some who were known as not enthusiastic in church attendance.

Members of years' standing of the two other churches began to drift from their allegiance and to gravitate toward the Bible class begun by the reformed poker players. This, it is said, aroused jealousy in the two rival congregations.

Acrimonious comments flow between church people who split into rival factions, some endorsing and some condemning, the poker players' Sunday school class. Then the letters began to appear. It is said that they were mailed at

Mansfield to the Mt. Vernon postoffice in a batch and there sent to Butler singly.

The story of the letter was carried in The Banner some time since, but it was only this week that the news was spread concerning the real nature of the scandal.

## CAUCUS

OF MORROW COUNTY DEMOCRATS SATURDAY TO INDORSE A CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATION FOR STATE SENATOR.

At a caucus of the Democrats of Morrow county to be held in the various precincts of the county next Saturday evening, the choice of that county is to be determined for the Democratic nomination for state senator in this joint senatorial district, composed of the counties of Morrow, Knox, Wayne and Holmes.

Under the rule of rotation which has been observed in the district for time out of mind, it is the turn of Morrow county to name the candidate for the nomination. Under the agreement of the aspirants of Morrow county, the caucus was arranged and the one receiving the highest vote is to go into the primaries in August unopposed from Morrow county.

There are three Morrow county men seeking the endorsement at the caucus next Saturday evening—Carl V. Beebe, J. Charles Criswell and Clayton James.

## GLASS CYLINDER

BREAKS IN LAFEVER'S HANDS INFLECTING GASH

Stephen Lafever, who is employed at the Pittsburgh Plate Glass plant, received a very severe cut on his right arm Thursday morning when a large cylinder of glass broke in his hands. The glass inflicted a gash in Mr. Lafever's wrist which required several stitches to close. Dr. S. E. Deeley attended the injured man.

The last dance in the series which Mt. Zion lodge No. 9, F. & A. M., has been giving for its members this year, will be held on Thursday night, May 15, in the Masonic temple. Parker's orchestra, with Parker himself, will furnish the music for the dance.

The committee in charge of the dance extends a cordial invitation to all Master Masons in the county to attend the affair, whether members of Mt. Zion or some other lodge.

## DEMOCRATIC KEYNOTER

Washington, May 4.—There are indications that administration leaders expect either Speaker Champ Clark or former Governor Martin Glynn of New York to be temporary chairman of the Democratic national convention of St. Louis. The selection will be made ten days before the convention.

## LABOR DIFFERENCES MAY BE ADJUSTED

Westinghouse Officials to Receive Strikers' Committee.

Pittsburgh, May 4.—Coincident with the appearance of state troops in the Turtle Creek and Monongahela valley strike zones, came the announcement that Patrick Gilday, chief of the state bureau of mediation and arbitration, has arranged with President E. M. Kerr of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing company for a meeting with the mediation committee of the strikers from the allied Westinghouse plants. This definite action following Tuesday's reign of terrorism, in which two men were killed and a score or more seriously injured in a clash with deputies at the Edgar Thomson steel works, Bradnock, leads to the belief that a settlement of the difficulties between labor and capital in this district is not far away.

With the arrival of state troops, big plants which had snout down rather than court violence at the hands of the unrestrained mobs which have been continually on the go in all sections of the Turtle Creek and Monongahela valleys during the past three days, announced that they would reopen. Among these concerns are the Edgar Thomson steel works, Bradnock; the Rankin and Bradnock plants of the American Steel and Wire company, and the Mesta Machine company, West Homestead.

Ten men suffering from wounds received in the rioting Tuesday, and who are believed to have been ring-leaders in the mob that attacked the Edgar Thomson guards, were arrested.

Regular Republicans Win. San Francisco, May 4.—Complete returns from 3,279 precincts out of 4,673 in California received confirm the sweeping victory of the Regular Republicans over the United Republicans in the presidential primaries. The name of Henry Ford was written on a large number of ballots.

## U. S. DEMANDS MAY BE MET

By The German Government In Note

Revived Hope Reported In Government Circles.

#### OFFICIAL WORD IS AWAITED

Press Dispatches From Berlin State That the Imperial Government Will Issue New Instructions to Submarine Commanders and Otherwise Define Its Attitude Toward Future Operations Against Merchantmen.

Washington, May 4.—Revived hope, but no undue optimism.

This characterizes President Wilson's frame of mind on the submarine issue, while Secretary Lansing still awaits official word from Ambassador Gerard confirming press dispatches from Berlin to the effect that Germany will issue new instructions to submarine commanders and otherwise define its attitude on future submarine warfare against merchantmen. The tenor of these censored dispatches is regarded here as hopeful, the intimation being that Berlin will satisfy the American demands.

Officials here foresee a possibility that the crisis may be averted or at least postponed by Germany's agreeing temporarily to abandon the present methods of submarine warfare which endanger the lives of noncombatants on the high seas. If this vital point in the American demands is met, the danger of a diplomatic break will be dissipated. Interest, therefore, centers now on whether or not Berlin will unequivocally yield on this vital issue.

Colonel House, who has conferred with President Wilson frequently on the submarine controversy, was in Washington again. He had a long conference with Secretary Lansing. Colonel House is known to share the president's view that a diplomatic break may be averted by definite and unequivocal concessions. But, like the president, he is not building castles in the air until he sees the text of the German note.

The all-important point now, according to officials, is whether Germany's new orders to submarine commanders flatly forbid further illegal attacks on merchantmen, or whether they are drawn up with a view to initiating another method of submarine warfare which would conform to a German interpretation of meeting the United States half way without, however, conforming to the strict dictates of international law. Germany. It is explained, has long contended that international law was framed before the use of submarines became known; that consequently international law does not apply.

Willis On Preparedness. Cincinnati, May 4.—Governor Willis, speaking to the military order of the Loyal Legion here, told the members that their service had taught the country the necessity of reasonable preparation. "It is better to spend dollars in time of peace to maintain it than to spend life in time of war to restore it," he said.

Lorimer Acquitted. Chicago, May 4.—Ex-Senator Lorimer was acquitted by the jury on the charge of conspiring to wreck the LaSalle Street Trust and Savings bank. The jury was out seven hours.

## Quality First HAMILTON'S Quality First

### SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Quality Blend Coffee, worth 30c, lb.	25c
Old Reliable Royal Blend Coffee, lb.	24c
Cash Value Steel Cut Coffee, lb.	25c
LaCreme Macaroni and Spaghetti, two for.	15c
Extra Fancy California Prunes, worth 15c, lb.	12 1/2c
Extra Fancy Evaporated Appicots, two pounds for	25c
Extra Fancy Evaporated Peaches, two pounds for	25c
Nice Evaporated Peaches, two pounds for	15c
Our Beauty Sugar Corn, two cans for	25c
Maiden Brand Sugar Corn, three cans for	25c
Paris Sugar Corn, two cans for	25c
Westerfield Peas, (worth 10c) two for	15c
Lakewood Peas, (worth 15c), two cans for	25c
Hershey's Cocoa, regular 10c size, two for	15c
Hershey's Cocoa, regular 25c size, can	20c
Bulk Cocoa, per pound	15c
Bulk Pepper, half pound	25c per pound
Dandy Oleomargarine, 1 lb.	20c; two lbs. 39c
Taylor's Best and Century Flour, half sack	85c
Clothes Pins, 48 for	5c
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